

Attachment D

Contributing Factors Medicaid Growth

Introduction:

There has been a growth of approximately 53 percent in the total AHCCCS population since October 2000. The total population on October 1, 2000 was 539,057 compared to 657,490 on October 2001 and 827,300. The largest growth in the population involves the programs for families, children and pregnant women for which the Department of Economic Security determines eligibility. The members qualifying under these programs increased from 340,875 on 10/01/00 to 535,887 as of 10/01/02, a two-year increase of 195,012 members, or 57%.

Families with children qualifying under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act experienced the greatest increase, from 122,210 to 386,410. A substantial part of this increase reflects the transfer of members from S.O.B.R.A., Transitional Medical Assistance and 1931 Related groups resulting from the increase in the income limit for 1931 on July 1, 2001.

